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Kyoko ISHIMOTO et al. : Confirmation No. 8893

Serial No. 10/579,972 : Group Art Unit 1794

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ACIDIC PROTEIN FOOD OR DRINK AND : Mail Stop: RCE

MATERIAL THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT CONCURRENTLY FILED WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 26, 2009 and the Advisory Action dated October 28, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.